

ceive severe punishment. Also that the public be heard the United States flag in a prominent position on shore and salute it with twenty-one guns. The salute will be returned by this ship.

Your answer to this communication should reach me and the called-for salute be fired within twenty-four hours from 6 P. M. of this date."

#### First Demand Modified.

Secretary Daniels a few days ago said Rear Admiral Mayo himself modified his demand somewhat, saying he would not insist on having the salute fired while the American flag was hoisted on Mexican territory, and would be satisfied if the salute was to the flag "in a conspicuous place" either on the mast of the Dolphin or a Mexican gunboat.

There was much discussion about the propriety of returning Huerta's salute, because of a navy regulation, No. 1184, which reads:

"No salute shall be fired in honor of any nation, or of any official of any nation, not formally recognized by the government of the United States."

An explanation of this point, Rear Admiral Pike, aide for operations, issued the following statement:

"This regulation is interpreted as a prohibition against firing a salute in honor of any government which has recently come into being, or in honor of an official of such government, if it has not been formally recognized by our government. Any such salute would be considered as a recognition of that government, and, in order to escape from the consequences of such apparent recognition, it would become necessary for our government formally to disavow it."

In 1902 Rear-Admiral Stanton, United States Navy, made the mistake of saluting the flag of Rear-Admiral Melia, who was in revolt against the Brazilian government. The Brazilian government complained to our government, which promptly disavowed the salute and relieved Admiral Stanton from command.

Paragraph 1184 is not interpreted as prohibiting the firing of a salute in honor of any nation of which the government has merely passed from the hands of certain individuals; even though our government may not have recognized the new individuals.

#### Salutes Must Be Returned.

Secretary Daniels said he had consulted the General Naval Board, who unanimously agreed that in all cases where salutes have been given they must be returned. Mr. Daniels spoke of the fact that Mexican gunboats, even though they passed American warships. He referred, too, to the recent visit at New Orleans of a Mexican gunboat, which was not saluted by the shore batteries. The War Department inquired of the Navy department at that time about precedents, and the army officer in charge at New Orleans was advised to return the salute.

The difficulties which arose over Huerta's salute have been given the name of a "salutational situation" and unrest. Many high officials con-

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sidered that Huerta had yielded the essential point, and merely was trying to adjust the controversy so that his dignity would not be lowered.

At the cabinet meeting the situation was only briefly discussed. That the incident was not considered closed was indicated, however, by the change in plans which both the President and Secretary Bryan made. The President will not go to White Sulphur Springs, W. Va., until to-morrow night, and Sec-

retary Bryan will not go to Florida until the whole question is adjusted.

Just when the salute will be fired, it is an agreement is reached, is conjectural. Many officials think most of the ships of the Atlantic fleet will be at Tampico when the salute is fired. Secretary Daniels said the orders given to Rear Admiral Badger merely were "to proceed to Tampico."

#### Sentiment of Congress.

At the Capitol again to-day the Mexican situation overshadowed pending legislation in interest. That Huerta must salute the American colors with twenty-one guns before American cannon acknowledge the apology, is the sentiment of Congress. There also is a growing feeling among senators and representatives that there should be no further negotiations with Huerta, that Huerta should comply completely with demands of this nation or suffer the inevitable consequences.

To-day's developments in Mexico City aroused in the mind of some legislators the belief that Huerta would attempt to delay apology as long as possible, in the hope of arousing patriotic resentment against the United States and reviving warring support of his own people in his administration. There are some who believe the United States should have refused the request for a salute.

"Let Huerta salute," said Senator Chilton, "then we will make up our mind about returning the salute."

Senator Sutherland, a member of the Foreign Relations Committee, is one who believes bucking over terms weakens their effect.

"The ultimatum to Huerta is irrevocable," said Senator Shively, acting chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee. "He must salute or suffer the consequences."

#### Leaders Differ in View.

While administration leaders and many Republicans contend that to return the Mexican salute could not be regarded as a recognition of Huerta, there are members who believe to the contrary. Senator Brough insists that to salute the Mexican flag can't be construed as anything but recognition of Huerta's government. Some Democrats are inclined to this view.

Representative Murdock, Progressive leader in the House, disapproves entirely of returning a salute to the Huerta forces. "If we return a salute to those bandits," said he, "we might as well fire a few guns to the memory of Robin Hood, Rainsford or Jesse James."

As to the future course of the American government toward Mexico, pro-Huerta administration leaders are forming for Huerta for the Tampico incident, the general impression in Congress is that increased vigilance will be maintained, and that many warships now speeding to Mexican waters will be held there. Recognizing that force fighting is to continue within Mexican borders, that further insults to the United States may arise at any moment, and that the Huerta government might collapse, the policy of the government, it is said, will be to have sufficient armed forces available for any emergency.

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Mr. F. E. Cosby	R. C. M.	1,093

We have temporarily discontinued the names of teachers who have not 1,000 votes to their credit. As soon as 1,000 or more votes are registered these names will be published.

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#### No Attention by Officials.

The unofficial declaration from Senator Portillo y Rojas, Huerta's Minister for Foreign Affairs, that the return salute would be given to the American flag, received no attention from administration officials, who pointed out that no such construction was to be placed on the suggestion by the Huerta government in its formal communications.

"Recognition is not extended by inadvertence, but by intent," said a high administration official to-night. Under existing laws, the salute is given to the Huerta government, but to the Mexican flag, as representing the Mexican nation, and no question of recognition is involved, according to Secretary Tamm, who said that had the Huerta government interfered into the negotiations, that the salute be considered as recognition it would not have been considered for a moment.

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## VOTE TO ABOLISH MILEAGE SYSTEM

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him that they will make the trip of inspection and investigation to Richmond next Tuesday in connection with the proposed bill. He is expected to build an addition to the Richmond post-office, for which a bill to appropriate \$600,000 is pending.

#### McAdoo Urges Action.

Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo addressed a communication to Congress to-day, asked that the proposal to appropriate \$50,000 for the acquisition of a site and commencement of a public building at Norton, Va., and the appropriation of \$50,000 for a public building at West Point, Va., be taken up and passed as soon as possible.

The secretary explains that both items were stricken out of the urgent deficiency bill, and requests that they be placed on the sundry civil appropriation bill, which will be the next bill to carry miscellaneous appropriations.

The letter states that provision has been made in the Norton building plans for a mine rescue station. "Title to the site has not yet been acquired, but the inspection of properties has been made, and the payment for the site will be made as soon as the money is available."

At West Point, Secretary McAdoo states, the department has chosen a site, and issued a letter of acceptance, and it is necessary to have the money at once.

#### Deputy Sheriff Returns to Work.

Deputy Sheriff R. C. Garnett, of Henrico County, has returned from Lunenburg County, where he was a witness in a murder trial. He was absent for three days, during which time his duties as jailer at the County Jail were performed by Officer J. Wilson Say.

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encertained and fixed by the commissioner."

A similar clause would restrict concerns now in existence.

#### Farmers Want to Organize.

Chicago, April 17.—Resolutions urging amendments to the Sherman law to permit legitimate organizations of farmers were adopted to-day at the closing session of the American Economic Society, held in conjunction with the National Conference on Marketing and Farm Credits. A night when the resolutions committee expected to be waged against the resolution did not develop, and only one motion, E. R. Kone, Commissioner of Agriculture of Texas, spoke against its adoption.

A committee of fifteen, called for in the resolutions of the Conference on Marketing and Farm Credits, will be appointed in a few weeks by the president of the Western Economic Society.

## CONVENTION MEETS ON BOARD STEAMER

Sons of Revolution to Visit Yorktown, Virginia Beach and Fort Monroe.

Washington, April 17.—With Ambassador Jusserand, of France, and Madame Jusserand as guests, the Sons of the American Revolution began their annual convention to-night on board the steamer Southland. The convention will include historic Yorktown, Fort Monroe and Virginia Beach, the society will hold a traveling convention, business sessions being held on the boat. A visit to Yorktown and a dinner at the hotel at York Beach will be held in honor of the delegates at Fort Monroe in the afternoon, and a dinner at Old Point Comfort in the evening. The program, the steamer will return to Washington on Sunday.

A resolution was adopted to-night appointing a committee to arrange for the election of officers for the coming year. The committee will include Dr. Grassie, the French naval officer, who will be the colonel at Yorktown where Cornwallis surrendered to Washington in 1781.

Delegates from Virginia to the convention are Alfred H. Williams, of Henrico, and Colonel W. Gordon McCabe, and Dr. Charles W. Robinson, of Richmond.



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